

DUNKIN' BRANDS GROUP, INC.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ABBRECHT TODD M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**DUNKIN' BRANDS GROUP, INC.
 [DNKN]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

**C/O THOMAS H. LEE PARTNERS,
 L.P., 100 FEDERAL STREET,
 35TH FLOOR**

12/09/2011

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BOSTON, MA 02110

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Common Stock | 12/09/2011 | | S | (A) or (D) D | 633,385 \$ 24.7233 | (1) (2) | 22,154,595 I (2) (3) |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ABBRECHT TODD M C/O THOMAS H. LEE PARTNERS, L.P. 100 FEDERAL STREET, 35TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02110 | X | X | | |

Signatures

/s/ Todd M. Abbrecht 12/09/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Represents shares of the Issuer held by Thomas H. Lee Equity Fund V, L.P. ("Fund V"), Thomas H. Lee Parallel Fund V, L.P. ("Parallel Fund V"), Thomas H. Lee Equity (Cayman) Fund V, L.P. ("Cayman Fund V;" together with Fund V and Parallel Fund V, the "Funds"), (1) Thomas H. Lee Investors Limited Partnership ("Investors"), Putnam Investment Holdings, LLC ("Putnam Holdings"), Putnam Investments Employees' Securities Company I LLC ("ESC I") and Putnam Investments Employees Securities Company II LLC ("ESC II").

The reporting person is a member of Thomas H. Lee Advisors, LLC, which is the general partner of Thomas H. Lee Partners, L.P., which is the manager of THL Equity Advisors V, LLC, which, in turn, is the general partner of each of the Funds. The reporting person is a Vice President of THL Investment Management Corp., which is the general partner of Investors. Investors, Putnam Holdings, ESC I and ESC II are co-investment entities of the Funds and are contractually obligated to dispose of securities on a pro rata basis with the THL Funds. By virtue of these relationships, the reporting person may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of the Issuer owned directly by each of the Funds, Investors, Putnam Holdings, ESC I and ESC II.

(continuation of Footnote 2) - The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purpose of Section 16 or for any other purpose, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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